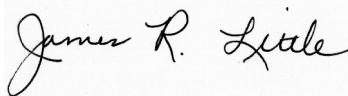


**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**Farm Service Agency  
Washington, DC 20250**Notice BU-597**

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**For:** State and County Offices**April 2001 Interest Rate Changes for  
Agricultural Credit Insurance Fund (ACIF) Program****Approved by:** Acting Administrator**1 Announcing Interest Rate Changes****A  
Interest Rates  
Reviewed  
Monthly**

Interest rate changes in the following table are effective April 1, 2001. The "N/C" under the April Rate column indicates no change.

| Loan Type                             | March Rate | April Rate |
|---------------------------------------|------------|------------|
| <b>ACIF Program Loans</b>             |            |            |
| 90-Day Treasury Bill                  | 5.50 %     | 5.125 %    |
| Farm Operating - Direct               | 5.50 %     | N/C        |
| Farm Ownership - Direct               | 6.00 %     | N/C        |
| Credit Sales: Farm Ownership - Direct | 6.00 %     | N/C        |
| Soil and Water - Direct               | 6.00 %     | N/C        |
| Recreation - Individual - Direct      | 6.00 %     | N/C        |
| Association Loans - Regular:          |            |            |
| • Grazing                             | 6.00 %     | N/C        |
| • Irrigation and Drainage             | 6.00 %     | N/C        |
| Farmer Program - Homestead Protection | 6.00 %     | N/C        |
| Softwood Timber Loans                 | 6.00 %     | N/C        |

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**Disposal Date**

May 1, 2001

**Distribution**

State Offices; State Offices relay to County Offices

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Interest Rates  
Reviewed  
Monthly  
(Continued)**

| <b>Loan Type</b>                                 | <b>March<br/>Rate</b> | <b>April<br/>Rate</b> |
|--|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| <b>ACIF Program Loans (Continued)</b>            |                       |                       |
| Economic Emergency - Operating                   | 5.50 %                | N/C                   |
| Economic Emergency - Real Estate                 | 6.00 %                | N/C                   |
| Emergency - Major Adjustment:                    |                       |                       |
| • Subtitle A Purpose (Excess of Loss)            | 9.50 %                | N/C                   |
| • Subtitle B Purpose (Excess of Loss)            | 9.50 %                | N/C                   |
| Emergency - Annual Production                    | 9.50 %                | N/C                   |
| <b>ACIF Nonprogram Loans - Credit Sales</b>      |                       |                       |
| Farm Program - Chattel Property                  | 9.50 %                | N/C                   |
| Farm Program - Real Property                     | 9.50 %                | N/C                   |
| <b>CCC Funded Loans</b>                          |                       |                       |
| Apple Loans                                      | 4.875 %               | 4.75 %                |
| <b>RHIF (Funded Direct Farm Ownership) Loans</b> |                       |                       |
| Housing Program 502 for low or moderate income   | 6.875 %               | N/C                   |
| <b>All Loan Types</b>                            |                       |                       |
| Treasury Judgement Rate (See note below)         | 6.052 %               | 4.69 %                |

**Note:** Treasury Judgement Rate is the interest rate applicable to deficiency judgements for all loan types (pursuant to 28 U.S.C. Section 1961) that was previously based on the equivalent coupon issue yield for the 52-week Treasury Bill. The Department of Treasury, working with Congress, has eliminated the auction of the 52-week bill. The statutory changes replace reference to the auction of the 52-week bills with the weekly average 1-year Constant Maturity Treasury (CMT) yield. That rate is published by the Federal Reserve System, Board of Governors. The rate shown in this notice (for April) is the most current rate posted to the Federal Reserve website and is dated February 23, 2001. The actual judgement rate is the rate for the calendar week preceding the date the defendant becomes liable for interest. The Federal Reserve website for the weekly average 1-year CMT yield is: [www.federalreserve.gov/releases/H15/data/wf/tcm1y.txt](http://www.federalreserve.gov/releases/H15/data/wf/tcm1y.txt).

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**Other Interest  
Rates**

These interest rates seldom change, but for convenience are published monthly.

| <b>Loan Type</b>   | <b>Current Rate</b> | <b>Date Set</b> |
|--|---------------------|-----------------|
| <b>ACIF Program Loans</b>  |                     |                 |
| Farm Operating - Direct, Limited Resource                            | 5.00 %              | 12/01/90        |
| Farm Ownership - Direct, Limited Resource                            | 5.00 %              | 04/01/86        |
| Farm Ownership - Direct, Joint Financing                             | 5.00 %              | 03/24/97        |
| Credit Sales: Farm Ownership -<br>Direct, Limited Resource           | 5.00 %              | 04/01/86        |
| Farm Ownership - Direct Down Payment,<br>Beginning Farmer or Rancher | 4.00 %              | 04/01/86        |
| Soil and Water - Direct, Limited Resource                            | 5.00 %              | 07/01/92        |
| Indian Land Acquisition  | 5.00 %              | 02/01/91        |
| Emergency - Amount of Actual Loss                                    | 3.75 %              | 01/25/94        |

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**Notifying  
Personnel**

SED's, Farm Loan Managers, and Farm Loan Chiefs shall notify all personnel of these rates upon receipt.

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